

**NCDOT TO HOLD A PUBLIC MEETING
FOR THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO THE U.S. 17 BUSINESS/N.C. 37 CAUSEWAY
AND REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE NO. 8 OVER THE PERQUIMANS RIVER
IN HERTFORD AND WINFALL, PERQUIMANS COUNTY**

TIP No. R-4467

The N.C. Department of Transportation will hold an open house public meeting regarding the proposed improvements to the U.S. 17 Business/N.C. 37 causeway and replacement of Bridge No. 8 (the S-bridge) over the Perquimans River in towns of Hertford and Winfall. The purpose of this project is to replace both the road and bridge to maintain a reliable, safe, direct connection from downtown Hertford to Winfall and northern Perquimans County. The meeting will take place on **Thursday, June 28 from 4 to 7 p.m** at the **Perquimans County Community Center at 310 Granby Street in Hertford.**

NCDOT previously reached out to the public several times throughout the planning and preliminary design phases of this project. In August 2016, NCDOT chose Alternative B as the preferred alternative after consulting with local, state, and federal agencies. Alternative B involves building next to the current bridge a swing-span bridge with a 12-foot vertical clearance for boats. NCDOT has refined the Preferred Alternative (Alternative B), based on feedback from the public and towns. This project is now in the Design-Build phase, which includes final design, right of way acquisition and construction. This meeting has been scheduled to present the current design to the public and get their input.

The public may drop-in at any time during the meeting hours. NCDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and listen to comments regarding the project. The opportunity to submit comments will also be provided at the meeting or via phone, email, or mail by July 31, 2018. Comments received will be taken into consideration as the project develops. Please note that no formal presentation will be made.

Project information and materials can be viewed as they become available online at: <http://www.ncdot.gov/projects/US17Business>.

For more information, contact Khaled AlAkhdar, NCDOT Design-Build Engineer, at 1595 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-1595, (919)707-6612, or at kalakhdar@ncdot.gov.

NCDOT will provide auxiliary aids and services under the Americans with Disabilities Act for disabled persons who wish to participate in this meeting. Anyone requiring special services should contact Caitlyn Ridge, P.E., Environmental Analysis Unit Public Involvement Officer at ceridge1@ncdot.gov or (919) 707-6091 as early as possible so that arrangements can be made.

Persons who speak Spanish and do not speak English, or have a limited ability to read, speak or understand English, may receive interpretive services upon request prior to the meeting by calling 1-800-481-6494.

Aquellas personas que hablan español y no hablan inglés, o tienen limitaciones para leer, hablar o entender inglés, podrían recibir servicios de interpretación si los solicitan antes de la reunión llamando al 1-800-481-6494.